## WARWICK LAND TRUST

## February 19, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

## Call to Order:

- Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm. Trustees in attendance were Derek Andersen (Chair), Juan Cano, Leslie Derrig, Joe Cavanaugh, Deb Place and Rob Baxter. Trustees not in attendance were Chris D'Ovidio and Mary Bagley. A quorum existed. Also present was Sue Cabeceiras of the Planning Dept and Mary Grady.
- Approval of January 15, 2013 meeting: A motion was made by Leslie to approve the January 2013 minutes. This motion was seconded by Juan and approved unanimously.

## **Officers/Staff Report:**

<u>Treasurers Report</u>: Sue reported that the budget is now at \$120 for registration for the Land and Water Summit. If this money is not spent, it will also be returned to the City budget.

<u>Staff Report</u>: The remaining budget is for registration for the Land Trust to pay for 3 people to attend the Land and Water Summit. None of the Trustees present are able to attend this conference. Mary Grady has been instrumental in seeking funding for the purchase of land at Passeonquis Cove. Mary has also attended most Land Trust meetings, and although not a member has provided the group with very valuable incite into other Land Trust matters. Based on her dedication and commitment to the Warwick Land Trust, Leslie presented a motion for the Land Trust to pay for Mary Grady to attend the Summit. This motion was seconded by Joe and unanimously approved.

Sue has filled out the on line application for the TransCanada and submitted it on December 31, 2012. She received an email stating that she would be contacted in the near future, however, she has not yet heard back. Joe reported that he did talk to his friend at TransCanada who said the January meeting to discuss the grant applications did not take place. He was not sure when the next meeting was scheduled.

Sue informed the Trustees about the March 27<sup>th</sup> Save the Bay conference entitled RI Transfer of Development Rights, Mini-Conference. Sue plans on attending.

Sue informed the Trustees about the April 5<sup>th</sup> Grant writing seminar scheduled at the Comfort Inn.

Sue was asked to try to dig up original letters sent to the City that specifically asked that the property be donated to the Land Trust.

The letter to donate property or grant an easement that Leslie drafted for the property owners along the marsh in Conimicut was discussed and edited. Leslie presented a motion to send the letter; Rob seconded the motion that was unanimously approved.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Joe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leslie to adjourn. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Submitted by Susan Cabeceiras, Planning Department Staff Assistant.